

Lake County 4-H Newsletter!

February 17 Newsletter!



Pistols & Ponytails Mini-Library!

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- 1.) Raffle announced! See page 3 for details
- 2.) Council Meeting is set to March, 2nd 6pm.
- 3.) Pendleton Workshop Full- Sign up in our potential overflow class in March
- 4.) Fair dates announced! <u>July 17th-25th</u>.
- 5.) Quality Assurance Announced! March 18th from 5:00pm-8:00pm
- 6.) New Family Orientation for 4-H! February 18th at 6:00pm here at Lake County Extension.

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Agenda/upcoming Items for our 4H Clubs

(Read this portion at your club meetings Online)

- 1.) Quality Assurance Announced! March 18th, from 5:00pm-8:00pm. This is required for all first year livestock market seniors, and for all first year livestock market 4-H'ers. Fun will be had and this is a great chance to learn about how to make quality meats from your future ranch!
- 2.) We are kicking off our raffle! See Page 4 for details. Drawing will be April 19th at 5:30pm and on Facebook live.
- 3.) Mini Library Follow Up– We now have two completed libraries going up. How is your club's library? If you haven't received one, email/contact Bret at breton.homewood@montana.edu to let him know you are ready for yours today!
- 4.) Wear your green for St. Patrick's Day! Open to all 4-H! We will be hosting a float for the St. Patties day parade. We will be meeting March 17th, behind the St. Luke's Hospital at 5:00pm.
- 5.) <u>Pendelton Workshop is now full. Please call and sign up on our overflow list and we may schedule you for a class in March.</u>
- 6.) Yee Haw it's a Mardi Gras 4-H Fair announced for the week of July 17th-25th. Events and fair items will be determined later.
- 7.) Cloverbud meeting scheduled for March 4, at 6pm here at Lake County Extension.
- 8.) Dog Class announced! Class Begins March 4th at 6:30 here at the Arena Barn in Ronan.
- 9.) New to 4-H, or want a refresher? Come to our "All About 4-H!" On February 18th, 6-7:30pm!









Attention Newer 4-H Families (and anyone needing a refresher in 4-H)

MSU Lake County Extension will host an "All About 4-H" program Thursday, Feb 18th, at 6:00 p.m. Extension staff along with veteran 4 -H leaders from around the county will explain the Lake County 4-H program in-depth. The goal of this program is to help 4-H members and families have the very best 4-H experience possible. Topics include, what is required to be in 4-H, how to navigate records and manuals, an overview of what 4-H programs and opportunities are available, how to maximize your club experience, and how to enter the Lake County Fair. A resident expert will be on hand to answer any questions you may have about Lake County 4-H. A light dinner will be provided; please RSVP the Extension Office at 676-4271.

Please RSVP
Email or call us at:
lake1@montana.edu
676-4271

2021 4-H Raffle

-Do Your Part!-

Raffle tickets are currently being printed. They will then be distributed to club leadership, who will then give you the books. We encourage everyone to do their part and sell the tickets. (4-H Lake County wants one book of 10 tickets sold per family.) Ticket price will be \$10 each. If you sell out of your tickets, request a book refill from your club leaders, or other families who are unable to sell all of their tickets.

Turn in the filled out stubs and money to Club leadership by the early April Club meeting. Club Leadership will get the stubs and raised money to Extension by the 14th of April.

Drawing will be held: Monday April 19th, 5:30pm

Top three club sales will win: \$70 towards a party or club function

Top three individual sales will receive: 1st place: \$50 gift card to Murdochs 2nd place: \$35 gift card to Cenex

3rd place: \$25 gift card to Westland Seed



How do all 4-H'ers benefit from this Raffle?

This question pops up from time to time, and it may be asked of you from people who buy our tickets. Where does the money go?

Here is a small list of items we use these funds for:

- 1.) Workshops- sewing classes, baking, wood working, lamp building, STEM, and added interests
- 2.) Project day— Materials, food, items to give our 4-H'ers exposer to many different topics
- 3.) Events— Family prom, Achievement day, ceremonies, and 4-H related programming
- 4.) Trips for 4-H'ers— Congress, multicounty camp, State and National trips, International trips
- 5.) Volunteer screening for our trainers and leaders. Council pays for background checks and funds leaders to teach programming like dog, cat, small animal, horse, shooting sports, and more.
- 6.) Community Center rental fees. 4-H pays to have the space we use for all events in Lake County.
- 7.) 4-H foundations, 4-H related office supplies
- 8.) Senior Scholarships— currently set at up to \$2000 given out per year to our graduating seniors who qualify, compete, and apply for it
- 9.) Fair awards— Rosettes, and awards for our competitive 4-H'ers who win at fair
- 10.) Program sustainability— We are able to function and do all these things because we have the money in our accounts. Keeping us funded every year is vital for our 4-H mission to educate and promote the positive development of our youth in Lake County.

Mountain-Made Pendleton™ Picnic Blankets!

-Weekend Series Workshop-February 20th, 9am-noon -Limit of 6-Cost: \$15

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Special Workshop announcement! We have secured some Pendleton, "made in Oregon," wool to assemble ourselves some picnic blankets just in time for spring! Each 4-H'er will assemble a 3' X 5' roll up blanket that will have a water-resistant bottom on it. Ready to throw in your saddle bag, backpack, or your parents car— these blankets will be an essential item with your camping/hiking/horsebackin' expedition into the Missions. Class will run about 3-4 hours and we will learn to sew basic quilting. Class will be aimed at 4-H'ers who are beginners, but who can use a sewing machine.

We will then wrap up the class with a real picnic in the community center with some snacks!





Dog Classes

Our Dog program will resume starting **March 4th at 6:30pm** here at the arena barn. Program will proceed to May then the class will turn to agility classes at Dirty Dogs Sports. What fun!







Attention Sheep Projects Members:

All sheep shown at the Lake County Fair must have a liftable tail.













Cloverbud's Page



Calling all Cloverbuds!!!

Join us on March 13, 2021 from 10 a.m. to noon for intergalactic loads of fun while we reach for the stars! Learn how to make glow in the dark slime, paint with a straw, solve a mystery and make stellar music makers! Games, glow in the dark face painting and lunch will be included!

A \$2.00 fee per child, RSVP required. Register today by contacting the Extension Office at 676-4271 or lake1@montana.edu

Cloverbuds are encouraged to bring a friend to explore the galaxy with!











Quality Assurance

Thursday, March 18th -5:00pm to 8:00pm-

Required for all first year market livestock 4-H'ers and all first year seniors in market livestock. We will start at 5 and have some food until 5:30. After that we will have a lot of fun activities to learn about how to produce quality meats and take care of your livestock.

If you aren't sure about needing to attend, please reach out to us at lake1@montana.edu and we will let you know!









Quality Assurance

If your name is listed, you are <u>required</u> to participate this year to be eligible to sell at fair. Note— when in doubt double check with the office to be certain. Let us know if you are supposed to be here, or not!

Names List:

1st Year

Garrett Wilmar
Aubrey Wilmar
Jewell Reum
James Kenelty
Aiden Courville
Kyra Marmon
Brystol Bauer
Blane Jaeger
Jaidyn Herreid
Brenton Welker
Taelyn Frisk
Elaine Mast
Easton Mast

Seniors

Lilia Mitchell
Eden Mitchell
Colter Cornwell
Ryle Lytle
Ryanne Rider
Kaydee Wheeler
Branson Zemple
Coleton Sherman
Sydney Taylor
James Farrier
Tanner Bergh
Tommy Sherry





Fair Theme Winner!

Congratulations to the Mission Valley Ranch Hands for their winning fair theme for 2021:

Yee Haw It's a Mardi Graw!







Special Awards Committee

Special awards will meet on the **2nd of March** at 6pm here at Extension to continue work on how special awards will be handled in the future.

Open to all 4-H families, we welcome your input!

Mini Library Instructions



For now we request that clubs:

- *Find a location, obtain permissions and bury the 4x4 stand assembly (We will provide your club with that shortly.)
- *(Optional) Register your library and order the plaque for it at https://littlefreelibrary.myshopify.com/products/silver-aluminum-charter-sign? variant=17506180993
- *Paint and decorate your box- TAKE PHOTOS!
- *Make bookmarkers for it
- *Find donation books and canned foods for your boxes
- *HAVF FUN!!!!

We have a head start of books and canned goods for the library at the office if you need it!

















Library Updates!

Congratulations to Saddle Mountain and the 4-H Ambassadors for completing their libraries! They will now be putting their libraries up in their locations and shelving them with books!

If your club hasn't received a library yet to decorate, email breton.homewood@montana.edu to let Bret know your club is ready for their library.

Saddle Mountain's Library!







Pistols and Ponytails





Ambassador Library!







February 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
31	1 Special Awards Meeting 6PM	2 4-H Council	3	4 Cloverbud Meeting 6PM	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18 All About 4-H! 6PM	19	20 Pendleton Class
21	22	23	24	25 Fairboard Meeting 6pm	26	27
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14	15	16	17 St. Patties Day Parade- 5:00pm Ronan Hospital	18 Quality Assur- ance 5:00pm!	19	20 Workshop			
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28	29	30							

Lake County 4H Council Minutes for February 2, 2021

Regular Meeting 6 pm

Meeting started with Icebreaker and putting awards letter together: Berl had everyone share their favorite Valentine's Day memory.

Call to order at 6:15: Jennifer Davis

Pledges: Jen Davis

Minutes of Previous Meeting- January 5, 2021 - Diana Luke moved to approve minutes as written/read Spring Mckee seconded. Motion approved and passed

Treasurer's Report:

A: Checking- \$20, 173.43 B.) Savings- \$13, 841.07-unchanged C.) Awards- \$196.61

D.) Foundation-\$24,798.25

Discussion was made about moving money from checking to savings. Council would like to revisit this after the fundraising raffle.

Election for Vice President: Erika Mitchell moved to accept Andrea Dupuis through acclimation. Diana Luke seconded it. Motion was approved and passed.

Reports:

- a.) Fundraising: Packets have been distributed. Organizational leaders will be responsible for handing out and collecting money. Money and leftover tickets will be due back to extension by April 14th. Drawing to be held on April 19th.
- b.) Cloverbuds: Workshops are going great! There is a wonderful team in place and they will be having quarterly activities from 2-3 hours.
- c.) Ambassadors: At the last meeting they did a project with magazines. A collage of what kind of a leader you are. Planning on having a family prom with a fairy theme on June 11th.
- d.) Workshops. Made bread, butter, smoothies and french toast. Thank you to all the leaders and members for helping. Next workshop is a picnic blanket. 6 members may sign up. February 20th
- e.) Awards: Had a special awards meeting. Revamping the current Achievment awards system/letter/interview process. They will have a simple form to fill out. Leaders will nominate candidates. Interview will be with a community member panel. Awards may be a trip to Camp or County Congress or Shooting Sports venue. Achievement Dinner was also discussed. There has been some interest in moving it up to September along with book work being due by then. Committee will bring back ideas for approval. Club leaders should discuss with members.
- f.) Beef Weigh In- Went well. 40 reg 4 mini
- g.) Fair: Dates July 17-24 Yeehaw it's a Mardi Graw
- h.) Zsuites/Enrollment: Leaders please check and make sure all members are enrolled correctly. Please use current record book work. Call extension office with questions
- i.) Legislative Breakfast/Citizenship Seminar: Lena Sturman and Logan and Bella Smith participated. Nice experience even with it on zoom/virtual.

Old Business: Installed Andrea Dupuis as Vice President. Congratulations Andrea! Thank you for helping Lake County make the best better!

New Business: New Family Orientation: Thursday February 18th at 6pm in Community Center: All new families are encouraged to attend. Many leaders and alumni will be on hand to help.

New Business Cont'd:

St. Patricks' Day Float. All members are welcome to come. Jen Davis will let us know a time to meet. Wear green, be festive!

Dog Project: New leaders are Spring McKee, Rachel Thorpe, and Claudia Hewston. We will start meeting every Thursday starting March 4th. First meeting is informative. Dogs must be up to date on vaccinations. Please meet in Sale Barn.

Motions: Diana Luke moved to pay Woodwind Farms \$200 for use of facility. Andrea Dupuis seconded it. Motion was approved and passed

Tracey Wheeler moved to pay Steve Fishbain \$60 for shooting sports orientation fees. Diana Matcovich seconded it. Motion was approved and passed.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:40 Next meeting March 2nd